BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL June 20, 2013 Special Called Council Meeting Minutes

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified & notice was posted 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Barnwell County Council met on June 20, 2013 at 6 pm in Council Chambers. In attendance were Chairman Freddie Houston, Councilman Harold Buckmon, Councilman Jerry Creech, Councilman Lowell Jowers, Councilman David Kenner, Councilman Keith Sloan, Administrator Pickens Williams Jr., County Attorney J.D. Mosteller, Clerk to Council Kim Futrell and David Purtell with the People Sentinel. Councilman Joe Smith was unable to attend.

Public Hearing 6:00 pm

Chairman Houston asked if there were any public comments concerning the Ordinance related to the County budget for FY '13-'14. There were none.

Call to Order / Invocation / Declaration of a Quorum / Approval of Agenda

Chairman Houston called the meeting to order. Councilman Jowers gave the invocation and a quorum was declared. A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and it passed.

Welcome / Public Comments

Chairman Houston welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for public comments. There were no public comments.

Old Business

3rd Reading of the FY '13-'14 Budget Ordinance

Councilman Sloan said the Budget Ordinance for FY '13-'14 listed anticipated revenues and expenditures at the same amount of \$13,963,971, special account expenditures at \$910,545 and included an increase in millage to 6 mills which was primarily to restore the 3% salary reduction imposed on County employees 4 years ago and the associated fringe costs. Councilman Sloan moved to approve the 3rd Reading of the FY '13-'14 Budget Ordinance. Councilman Buckmon seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested.

Chairman Houston-Yes
Councilman Buckmon-Yes
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Councilman Creech-Yes
Councilman Jowers-Yes
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Councilman Smith-Absent

Councilman Sloan said that he and Council were very pleased to be able to restore the salary to the employees and expressed his appreciation to Administrator Williams, the Department Heads and the Treasurer for their hard work and efforts in preparing the budget. He also thanked Council for their attendance at the Finance Committee meetings. Chairman Houston and Councilman Jowers expressed their appreciation to the Finance Committee for their hard work.

A motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and it passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim A. Futrell Clerk to Council Freddie Houston
Council Chairman